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FORMER SAN ANTONIO BOOKKEEPER SENTENCED TO FEDERAL PRISON

United States Attorney Johnny Sutton announced today that 30-year-old Donna Lopez of San Antonio was sentenced to 51 months in federal prison for stealing \$452,196 from a San Antonio construction company.

In addition, Lopez was ordered to pay \$452,196 in restitution to Pletz Construction, Inc., and be placed under supervised release for a period of three years after completing her prison term.

On August 25, 2003, Lopez pled guilty to two counts of forged securities. Lopez worked as a bookkeeper for Pletz Construction, Inc. from October 2000 to December 2002. During that time, Lopez possessed at least 181 forged company checks made payable to herself.

This case resulted from an investigation conducted by special agents with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Assistant United States Attorney Tom Moore prosecuted this case on behalf of the government.

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